

# G-5's "Eye on AMC" U.S. Army Materiel Command

## Essential in Peace, Indispensable in War

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#### **Employees provide support for war on terrorism**

The employees of Army Materiel Command's maintenance depots, ammunitions plants, and arsenals are steadily working around the clock to support operations in Southwest Asia and the Global War on Terrorism. In fiscal year 2004, the many men and women of AMC accomplished:

- 16.2 million direct labor hours at the depots, which is 28 percent greater than what was executed the year before. In addition, revenues exceeded \$2.8 billion, a 33 percent increase from fiscal year 2003.
- The overhaul and repair of over 85,000 weapon systems, major items and components in support of reset. These items included: over 14,000 communications-security items, 153 Avengers, 250 ground mobility vehicles, 81 HEMTTs, and 1,413 HMMWVs repaired in SWA.
- A joint effort in the depots to complete 154 Sidewinder missiles for the Air Force, 129 Maverick missiles for the Air Force and Navy, and overhauling 50 M1A1 Abrams tanks for the Marine Corps.
- Production of over 8,000 Armor Survivability Kits for the HMMWV to protect against side attacks of explosives and small arms fire. This effort included help from Anniston, Red River, Letterkenny and Sierra Army Depots; Rock Island and Watervliet Arsenals; and Crane Army Ammunition Activity.
- The Forward Repair Activity in Camp Arifjan, Kuwait completed over 19,000 work orders, installed 1,395 armor kits, and returned over \$60 million of serviceable Class IX assets to the theater supply system. At Camp Anaconda, Iraq, the FRA serviced 2,877 HMMWVs, installed 1,656 armor kits and 1,635 ballistic windows, and repaired over 4,500 small arms.
- Hundreds of personnel have deployed to SWA and many locations in the United States. For example, 30 personnel and 30 contractors from one of the depots went to Fort Bliss in support of the Patriot, and another depot deployed over 120 specialists to ramp up production at the FRAs.
- McAlester Army Ammunition Plant produced over 140,000 bombs, and Lake City Army Ammunition Plant reached its maximum capacity of ammunition production by the end of fiscal year 2004-- 1.2 billion rounds.

Though these workers are not on the front lines of the battlefield, their work is crucial to the success of the Warfighter. By accomplishing these tasks and countless others, Soldiers, sailors, and airmen are ready for missions anytime, anywhere.

## JMC employees give up holiday for Soldiers

While others enjoyed some time off, employees at Headquarters, Joint Munitions Command and JMC installations across the nation worked during the recent Labor Day weekend to provide Soldiers with mission-essential items.

The items shipped included small arms ammunition, grenades, mortars and signal flares. They were essential to train troops prior to their upcoming deployments to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, said Mark Schneider, leader of the Ammunition Requisition Team in JMC's Centralized Munitions Management Directorate.

"Our employees coordinated shipments from eight separate installations to a total of eleven forts and ASPs (Ammunition Supply Points)," Schneider said. He received confirmation that deliveries scheduled for Sept. 8 to 10 arrived on time. Ultimately, about 200 tons of supplies were delivered.

"Since this requirement fell right into the middle of the Labor Day holiday, the people involved met the task head on and worked throughout the holiday to ensure the Soldiers' mobilization requirements were met."

### Did you know...

Several vehicles will be featured on the History Channel program, "Tactical to Practical," Oct. 18 and 19 at 11 p.m. and 3 a.m., respectively. The show will feature the Army's Smart Truck 3, hydrogen-powered cars and amphibious cars.